Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 05 Apr 2023 until 23:59 on Thursday 06 Apr 2023

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 05 Apr 2023 at 03:51 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Generally high but slightly lower for rainfall detail Wednesday.

Headline for Wednesday 05 Apr 2023: Wet and windy, improving through the afternoon.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 05 Apr 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Light rain	Light rain	Mist	Mist	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
50%	80%	60%	30%	30%	20%

Forecast for Wednesday 05 Apr 2023

Weather: Low cloud and rain, heavy at times, across the area in the morning. Slowly improving from the west into the afternoon, where it will be drier and brighter, with perhaps the odd light shower. Rain clearing the east by around mid-afternoon. Still the odd shower possible into the evening but mostly dry with some clear spells.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20% during the morning, improving to 60% through the afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Widespread low cloud, base 400-700m, but 300m or less at first on Skye, and moderate visibility in association with the rain. Scattered low cloud lingering during the afternoon.

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Forecast for Wednesday 05 Apr 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	39/45 S	33/40 S	30/37 SW	24/30 SW	16/20 SW	13/17 SW	12/16 SW
900	34/40 S	31/38 S	28/36 SW	23/30 SW	15/19 SW	12/16 SW	11/15 SW
600	24/30 S	23/30 S	23/31 SW	18/25 SW	11/16 SW	9/13 SW	7/11 SW
300	3/25 S	6/27 SW	8/28 SW	8/24 SW	4/15 SW	2/12 SW	2/11 SW
Glen	14/29 S	13/24 S	12/23 SW	11/21 SW	6/12 SW	3/9 SW	3/9 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	4/-4	4/-2	4/-2	4/-2	3/-2	2/-2	1/-3
900	4/-2	5/-1	5/-1	5/-1	4/-1	3/-1	2/-2
600	6/1	7/2	7/2	7/3	6/3	5/2	4/2
300	8/7	8/6	9/7	9/7	8/7	7/6	6/5
Glen	10/6	10/7	11/8	11/9	10/9	9/8	8/8
Freezing Level*	2200m	1800m	1700m	1500m	1400m	1300m	1100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Improving conditions into the afternoon with winds reducing and rain clearing.

Forecast for Thursday 06 Apr 2023
Weather: A mix of sunny spells and scattered showers on Thursday, showers perhaps more frequent in the north into the evening.

Maximum wind: Generally light, westerly 10-15 mph gusting 20-25 mph for a time during the afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70%

Low cloud and visibility: Scattered low cloud, 700-800m base, in association with showers, with temporary slight reductions in visibility. Otherwise good.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6 rising to plus 8-10 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 2-4 Celsius, falling to zero.
Freezing level: 1200m falling to 800m through the day.

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